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Famous Primroses

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A typical Barnhaven Silver-Dollar Polyanthus Primrose plant. Hardy, larger than a silver dollar, fragrant — they are a kaleidoscope of color from late winter through spring in the shadier parts of your garden.



Barnhaven Silver-Dollar Primroses

ENTATIVELY the infant year returns. With a handful of Primroses he slips into your garden and suddenly a slope or a path is blue. Blue as if bits of sky had fallen among cornflowers. Then here, in a sheltered spot, a patch of snow has been pushed aside. It is as though you looked into the eyes of a child and, like a child, you feel again the wonder of the first flower of the year. You know one more beginning—one more spring.

One more spring of color and fragrance. An early spring bringing blues and pinks and pastels of every tint. One of sparkling, brilliant colors and lustrous, subtle shades. Turn to the following pages. Although it is only a partial list of shades, from it can be made color combinations to inspire a gardener from one spring to the next. The possibilities are endless: Pinks, American Beauty and shades of Blue; Desert Sunset, Spice and Gold; Raspberry, Lilac, Ivory; Scarlet, Copper, Orange; Cowichan, Winter White, Violet—

In your mind, try combinations of your favorite colors. Put them in the less sunny spots of your garden. Morning sun and afternoon shade. Dappled shade. Semi-shaded borders and paths. North and east of your house. Near fruit trees, rhododendrons, azaleas—wherever they will have cast shade, high shade with air. Those sites too shady for sun-loving plants are perfect for Primroses.

There, too, will the scent of many flowers linger. Scents suggesting violets, cowslips, pansies and spicy concoctions are possessed by these new, exciting Primroses with the old-world charm.

Color, fragrance, larger than silver dollar size, elegance, earliness—of these Barnhaven's Silver-Dollar Primroses are made. Hardy in cold climates. Winter blooming in mild. Over the world many hearts are made to sing and many winter-grey gardens to bloom with the magic of Barnhaven's famous Primroses.

Seeds



Golden Primroses picked by children and placed in a brown jug on the windowsill.

For a few dollars you can fill your shadier garden spots with all your favorite colors and still have enough Primroses to pick. Springtime is nature's universal seed sowing time. But mild-climate gardeners can sow the year around and cold-climate gardeners can sow in late fall and winter. Sowing in February, March and April is recommended.

Much of the seed will be sold out by mid-April. If you wish to plant then, choose your colors soon and store the seed. You will receive an instruction sheet with your order telling you how to grow them. It is simple, it is fun and it is exciting to watch them grow and fatten with next spring's promised bloom.

Silver-Dollar Polyanthus Seed

The original and only Silver-Dollar Polyanthus of world fame. All blooms as large or larger than a silver dollar. All seeds are pollinated by hand. Not less than 125 seeds in packet.

STILL \$1 per packet, 6/\$5

(Easy methods of culture included with each order)

HARVEST YELLOWS — Exquisite gold, ivory, orange. So fragrant!

DESERT SUNSET — Coral, apricot, shrimp, salmon, Desert Rose, coral-pink are only a few of the gorgeous shades.

SPICE SHADES — The sensational new cocoa, coffee, all-spice, chocolate browns often gold edged.

GRAND CANYON — Brilliant coppers, bronze, tangerine, rose-tile shades of the Southwest's desert canyons.

INDIAN REDS — Clean brilliant scarlets, vermilion, crimson.

WINTER WHITE — Immense snow white. Gold - starred peacemakers.

VIOLET VICTORIANS — Scented wood violet, parma violet, plum, red plum, red violet, royal purple. Deep, velvet richness.

CARNATION VICTORIANS — Luscious American Beauty, gerise, carmine, fuschia and carnation shades. Often heavily silver edged.

MAUVE VICTORIANS — Shades of lilac, heliotrope, pansy lavender, orchid, pink-orchid often widely ruffled.

OLD ROSE VICTORIANS — Mallow pink and Victorian rose shades.

MUTED VICTORIANS — Strangely beautiful. Over a base of mauve or violet, a frosted sepia is laid.

STRIPED VICTORIANS — Grey, blue, violet and smoky peony shades veined like Japanese iris.

VICTORIANS MIXED — All Victorian shades except Striped.

VIVID SHADES — All the brilliant shades blended.

TINTED SHADES — A blending of all the pastel shades.

AMERICAN MIXTURE — All the Silver-Dollar color series above.

MY CHOICE — You may choose not more than three color series for blending into one packet.

Silver-Dollar Polyanthus Seed

SPECIALTIES

\$1 per packet of not less than 100 seeds. 6 pkts. \$5

MARINE BLUES — Unbelievable blues. Exceedingly large, scented blooms that rival the sea and the sky on a bright summer day. Light sky shades, soft delft and Prussian, deep, brilliant cobalt and ultra-marine shades.

NEW PINKS — Meltingly lovely true pinks. Gay, bright raspberry, Empire Rose and maraschino shades. The most exquisite and delicate shades of wild rose, sweet pea, peach and apple blossom.

COWICHAN — Jewel shades of ruby, garnet, light and dark amethyst, Venetian red. Often red-bronze foliage. Solid velvet color, no yellow center. The famous eyeless strain so popular in England.

KWAN YIN — Chinese, currant and pimento reds. Tall, dark, slender stalks. Precision stamped gold star. Incomparably graceful.

LITTLE EGYPT — New this year. Stunningly brilliant pink-brick and Egyptian red with either a very small eye or eyeless. Tall, dark, slender stalks. Medium size blooms.

SPECIALTY MIXTURE — Marine Blues, New Pinks, Cowichan.

ORIENT BLEND — Kwan Yin and Little Egypt.

NOVELTIES

Not less than 75 seeds for \$1

Old Elizabethan forms. Collectors' items for a Primrose patch out of Midsummer Night's Dream.

JACK-IN-THE-GREEN — Moss rose buds opening into blooms held within a green Elizabethan ruff. Mixed colors.

HOSE-IN-HOSE — The old hand-in-hand Primrose. Each bloom is held by another instead of by a green calyx. Mixed colors.

GOLD LACE — Gold lacing is laid on mahogany or black blooms to make the five petals look like ten. Flowers must be small.

NOVELTY MIXTURE — Jacks, Hose and Gold Lace.



A Primrose path can be built from seed as listed, or by plants from the Bargain Counter, page 11 of this catalog. Or, if you wish blooming plants in the spring, Walter Marx Gardens, Boring, Oregon sell Barnhaven Silver-Dollar Primroses. Write direct to them for their 72-page color catalog which they will mail to you for 50c.

Silver-Dollar Acaulis Seed

Acaulis are the earliest, the primrosiest of the Primroses. Always eager to bloom, they are often in and out of snowstorms, sometimes under ice like confections in a candy case. These are the single-stemmed picking Primroses. For every one picked, another exquisite, long bud springs up.

\$1 per packet of not less than 100 seeds. 6 pkts. \$5

CANDY PINKS — Ethereal shell and baby pinks. Radiant ribbon pinks and rose.

AMERICAN BLUES — Breathtaking. Words fail before sheets of blue with hardly a leaf to be seen. Clean-cut, steadfast blues in shades of azure, French blue, Alice, cornflower, indigo, often silver edged, sometimes eyeless.



BUTTERSCOTCH — Beautiful blends of rose and gold producing pink-apricot and rose-bronze shades.

HARBINGER — Great white stars. Heart-shaped petals. A Primrose dating back to Queen Victoria's reign.

TRADITIONAL YELLOWS — Primrose yellow and gold. The wild English "primmyrose" glorified.

OSIERED AMBER — Apricot, amber, yellow with red stems and calyx tinging buds and blooms pink.

TARTAN REDS — Red shades of the Scottish tartans.

SPRINGTIME MIXTURE — A basketful of spring! Blends of Acaulis.

Pixies



Pixies are Barnhaven's laughing, lovable new race of elfin Primroses that caper through late winter and spring in unabashed bloom. Irrepressible, indestructible, the little conceits spread themselves in fairy clouds of bloom in the rock garden, edge borders, paths and rose gardens—anywhere you want happy, carefree bloom so infectious you feel gay from the inside out.

\$1 per packet of not less than 75 seeds. 6 pkts. \$5

NEW JULIANAS — New, new colors. Pixies in shades and tints of pink, coral, apricot, salmon, scarlet, crimson, yellow, violet, white, copper, rose, cobalt and sapphire blue, opal and other jewel shades. Little or no eye. Stalked and cushion forms. In mixture only.

Auriculas

(For lightly shaded rock gardens and borders.)

GARDEN AURICULAS — Fragrant, velvet blooms, leathery leaves often silvered. Rock loving Primroses from the Swiss Alps. Shades of lavender, yellow, leather, violet, mulberry, crimson. In mixture only. \$1 per packet.

SEED COLLECTIONS

Any six \$1 packets, \$5.

(Any color series — any variety)

Candelabra Primrose Seed

Spectacular Primroses from high Himalayan meadows thrive in moist loam and semi-shade, or wet, heavy soil. They bring the atmosphere of pagodas and jade flutes from China, Japan, India and Tibet to those difficult wet, shady garden spots.



A few Candelabra Primroses dramatize a cool garden corner from April through June. Each plant carries a half-dozen or more stalks averaging 2 to 3 feet circled by necklaces of bloom.

- 50c packets with stated exceptions. Minimum order \$1
- P. BULLEYANA** — Chamois, red-gold buds.
 - P. BURMANICA** — Purple with yellow eye.
 - P. COCKBURNIANA** — Vivid tangerine.
 - P. JAPONICA** — Pink, rose, red. Very rugged.
 - P. JAPONICA WHITE** — Glistening white form.
 - P. PULVERULENTA** — Brilliant cerise, Heavily silvered.
 - P. PULVERULENTA BARTLEY**—Pink form of the above.
 - PAGODA HYBRIDS**—Shades of Chinese red, burnt orange, yellow, pink, salmon, rose, lavender.
 - ORIENTAL SUNRISE** — Hybrids in shades of opalescent pastels and vivid color blends circling black or green stalks.
 - MIXED CANDELABRAS** — Exceedingly generous packets blended from all the Candelabras. \$1.

Plants

BARGAIN COUNTER COLLECTIONS

Subject to stock on hand. May & June delivery

Designed to provide you with a little patch of Primroses to brighten a semi-shaded spot.

These are mature field plants for next year's bloom selected from Silver-Dollar Polyanthus, Specialties, Acaulis, Pixies and Candelabras.

You may make a choice of varieties and colors and, if they are on hand, they are yours—labelled, for

\$6 per dozen. 25/\$10, postpaid, special delivery.

Booklet

The fascinating 12-page Brochure No. 1

PRIMROSES

Their Understanding and Care

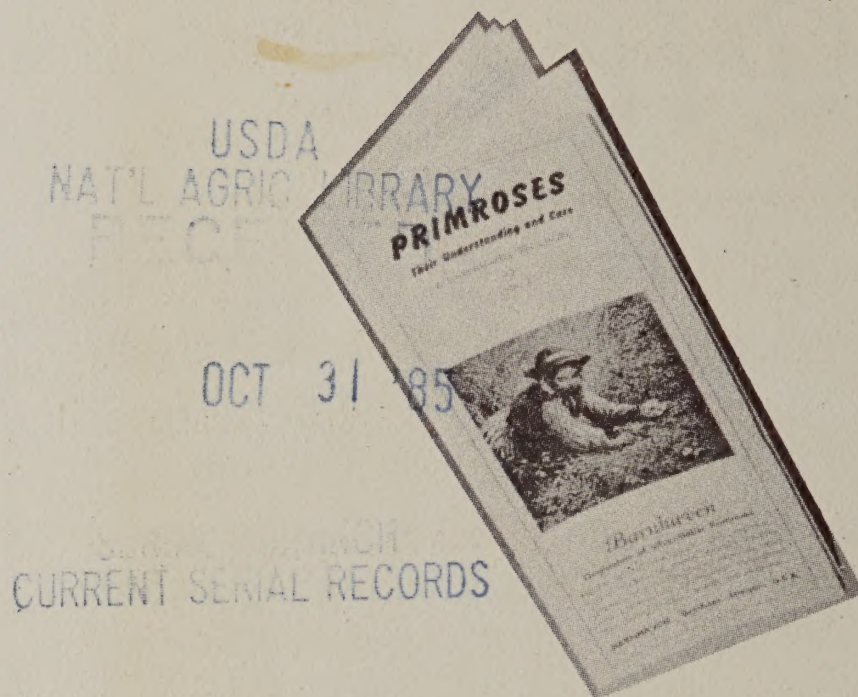
has been issued by Barnhaven. It tells—

- The reasons underlying Primrose behavior
 - How and when to plant in every climate
 - Summer Care
 - Winter Care
 - Simple mole control and other gardening tips

25c per copy

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Barnhaven Brochure No. 1
PRIMROSES
Their Understanding and Care

25c per single copy
20c in lots of 25
17½c in lots of 50
15c in lots of 100

Suggested for all gardeners, garden clubs and study groups.



Wholesale listings of Primrose seeds and plants sent commercial growers and florists upon request. Garden clubs buying in quantity for members, flower shows or plant sales entitled to wholesale listings.

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